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JAPAN CLAIMS SWEEPING VICTORY

State Employment Chief Denies Tales Of Labor's Surplus

Roy Stockton Reports to Governor That San Joaquin Valley Needs Laborers

(By Associated Press)

LOS ANGELES, July 30.—Roy S. Stockton, chief of the California state employment service, in a report to Gov. Frank F. Merriam made public here today, stated there is no considerable surplus of farm labor in California at this time.

"No surplus of agricultural workers exists in Kings and Tulare counties and outside workers will have to be called in," Stockton's report said.

Demand to Grow During Next Month

"Fresno county has started beet topping; by Aug. 15 grapes there will absorb additional workers and in September cotton picking begins.

"Merced and Madera counties reported no unfilled orders at present but anticipate a demand for more workers within the next 20 or 45 days.

"San Joaquin county states conditions are rapidly improving and that their area will soon be able to absorb all transient labor there.

Additional Men May Be Necessary

"Santa Clara county reports ability to direct transient workers to employment in San Joaquin valley.

"Sacramento county says coming bee harvest in northern California will employ 10 to 15 thousand workers at good wages.

"Yuba county reports that within the next 45 or 60 days there will be work for all farm laborers who apply."

Stockton said it is "questionable whether harvest workers now in California will be sufficient for the demand."

San Quentin Convict Sits On Flagpole

(By Associated Press)

SAN QUENTIN, July 30.—For the second time this week, Meyer Golas, 32 year old, Los Angeles burglar, today climbed an 85-foot searchlight tower in San Quentin prison and went on a "sit-up" strike which penitentiary officials termed "exhibitionism."

Only yesterday officials at Alcatraz Federal prison in San Francisco bay, tentatively put forth the same diagnosis in the case of Rufe Persful, Arkansas kidnap convict there, who deliberately chopped off the four fingers of his left hand.

Last Monday Golas broke away from his duties, climbed another searchlight tower in San Quentin and remained there 19 hours.

"I did it because I wanted people to know I was here," prison officials quoted Golas as saying after he voluntarily ended his first escapade on the promise of Warden Court Smith that he would not be sent into solitary confinement.

As before, the warden said he would do nothing about Golas; that cold and hunger would force him down eventually.

'Dead' Man Comes To Life Indignantly

SAN JOSE, July 30.—Coroner C. C. Spalding, called to take charge of a body, found Albert J. Greiner, 70, stretched out on a davenport and his housekeeper sitting by weeping.

"He's been dead an hour," the housekeeper sobbed.

Spalding made preparations to remove the "body" when Greiner suddenly sat up and said:

"Say, what's going on here?"

Coroner Spalding said he did not know what caused Greiner's "death-like trance because he wouldn't let a physician examine him."

Ford Raises Prices Of Several Models

DETROIT, July 30.—The Ford Motor Co. announced prices increases of $15 to $35 tonight on several passenger models in its 1937 line. A formal statement attributed the move to "rising costs."

The "base price" of the Ford line remains unchanged, a spokesman said. Five passenger car models and the entire truck and commercial series will continue to sell at existing prices.

The revised schedule becomes effective Monday.

WELL, I'll Tell You:

By Bob Burns

There's nothin' I like better than seein' a good horse race, but people out here wonder why I don't bet on 'em. It's just that I ain't a gamblin' man. It's kinda a family trait, especially among the women folk of my family. They sure are against it. I'll never forget how hurt and disillusioned my Aunt Sophie was pretty soon after she was married when she found out that her husband gambled.

He came in one morning and handed her $5 and said, "Dear, here's some money I won in a poker game last night and I want you to go down and buy that new dress you've been looking at." Aunt Sophie says, "It hurts me to accept money that was made in that terrible manner—I want you to promise me that you'll give up that awful habit just as soon as you've made enough money to get a hat to go with that dress."

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TRAPEZE MAN WOUNDS WIFE

(By Associated Press)

LONG BEACH, July 30.—The former world's premier flying trapeze performer, Alfredo Codona, shot and seriously injured his divorced wife, Vera, and then killed himself here today, her mother told police.

The shooting occurred in a lawyer's office in a conference over division of the couple's property.

The mother, Mrs. Annie Bruce, said Codona lighted a cigaret for his wife, locked the door, said "Vera, this is the last thing I'll be able to do for you," drew a pistol and started shooting.

Mrs. Codona was wounded four times. A fifth bullet in the head killed Codona.

Mrs. Codona's lawyer, James E. Pawson, was not in the office at the time. Codona had asked him and Mrs. Bruce to step out for a moment, but Mrs. Bruce remained.

Charging cruelty, Mrs. Codona won a divorce here July 1. They were married at San Antonio, Texas, Sept. 18, 1932, a little more than a year after the death of

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SOUTH FIGHTS WAGES-HOURS SETTING BILL

Senator Harrison of Mississippi Leads Attack Directed at Administration Scheme

FATE OF PLAN DOUBTFUL

Labor Federation President in Belated Endorsement Though Changes Are Desired

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, July 30.—Southern oratory of the old-fashioned full-voiced type reinvigorated today a movement to bury the administration wage and hour bill in a Senate committee.

Led by Senator Harrison of Mississippi, a candidate last week for the post of majority leader, and Senator Smith, South Carolina Democrat, the Southerners almost to a man banded together in an effort to kill the measure.

Dixie Denounces Fixing of Wages

Harrison shouted that the bill would set up a labor standards board which could destroy "business, large and small, by its administrative flats."

Smith declared the measure is intended to check the inevitable rise of the South from the lowly condition in which the war between the states left it.

"Why don't we call in God and tell Him to stop this business of

LABOR IN SPLIT

(By International News Service)

WASHINGTON, July 30.—A wide breach opened in the ranks of the American Federation of Labor here today, with opposing factions lobbying for and against the pending wages and hours bill on capitol hill.

The A. F. of L. president, William Green, emerged from the White House to express support for Senate passage of the wage and hour legislation.

John P. Frey, president of the powerful metal trades division of the Federation, and the heads of several other international unions, applied pressure for recommitment of the wage and hour bill.

giving one section more natural advantages than another?" Smith asked.

Administration leaders, who earlier had counted the battle won when William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, urged the bill's passage, hurriedly checking the Senate roll-call. They reported that there were still enough votes to pass the bill, though they were obviously worried.

Even Small Firms Included in Bill

Another Southerner, Reynolds of North Carolina, succeeded in obtaining passage of an amendment to exempt firms of 10 or less employes, but his triumph was short-lived. Administration leaders went to work in the cloak-rooms and in the Senate office building.

A motion to reconsider followed by a vote of 32 to 31, and the

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Grand Jury Indicts Eight In Cleanup

(By Associated Press)

LOS ANGELES, July 30.—Eight men were named in three grand jury indictments charging operation of bookmaking establishments today as city and county officials continued their gambling clean-up campaign.

Detective Lieut. "Lefty" James and a flying squadron of officers visited 50 places where gambling was suspected to flourish normally and found, he said, "everything tighter than a drum."

Sheriff's officers raided a swank club in Santa Monica and arrested Fred McNarney and Alfred Neustadt on gambling charges.

Councilman James N. Hyde hurled a charge at Atty-Gen. U. S. Webb, who has claimed Los Angeles is "wide open," "Sacramento," said Hyde, "the seat of our state government, for years has been notorious for gambling, but the attorney-general does not say anything about conditions in that city."

The men indicted today were William F. Gleason, Walter P. Dunham, Frank McDonald, Eugene Matz, Edward J. Delmore, Matt Schmidt and Sam Cohen, all under arrest. The third indictment naming one man was secret.

TRANSAMERICA SLICES MELON

(By Associated Press)

SAN FRANCISCO, July 30.—Transamerica corporation mailed bank stock worth an estimated $126,000,000 to its shareholders today along with a cash dividend of $2,896,896.

At the same time a surprise announcement by the San Francisco stock exchange said trading in Transamerica's reclassified $2 par shares would start on the exchange Monday, despite failure of the corporation to apply for listing the issue.

The exchange merely will substitute the new stock for the old. Financial authorities, including the San Francisco securities and exchange commission office and exchange headquarters, were unable to say how long this expedient could be followed.

John L. Grant, president of Transamerica, said today's mail carried 2,297,840 shares of Bank of America N. T. & S. A. stock—or about 57 per cent of the bank's 4,000,000 shares. Over-counter quotations on the bank stock were $35 bid, $37 asked.

In consequence of the dividend in bank stock, separating a sizable block of assets from Transamerica, the corporation reclassified its shares, in effect replacing two old shares, no-par, with one new $2 par share, decreasing the outstanding capital to 11,580,784 from 23,161,538 shares. The dividend rate on the new or reclassified shares was raised to $1 annually.

The substitution of the new or reclassified shares for the old on the exchange appeared to have taken Transamerica officials unawares as much as Transamerica's application for listing the new stock in New York and Los Angeles coupled with no application for San Francisco listing had surprised exchange officials here.

Lexington Back At Home Base

(By Associated Press)

SAN DIEGO, July 30.—Participants in the greatest air hunt in history, 63 officers and 321 men who left San Diego July 4 to search for Amelia Earhart and Fred Noonan, last near Howland island, returned here today aboard the aircraft carrier Lexington.

Planes from the big carrier were flown to their base at North island, after which the carrier proceeded north to Long Beach.

The navy fliers covered 142,240 square miles in their search for the missing round-the-world flier and her navigator, officers said. The search by the Lexington's planes began near Howland island July 13 and ended July 18. The fliers spent 1,591 hours in the air.

During the search flights the planes were spaced two miles apart, sweeping in a line 90 miles on either side of the carrier.

RANKIN OPENS FIRE AGAIN ON LABOR BOARD

Southerner Says 'Outrages' by NLRB Threatening to Wreck Roosevelt Administration

END OF LIBERTY FORESEEN

President Misinformed on Facts About 'Unholy Combination,' Asserts Mississippian

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, July 30.—Representative Rankin, Mississippi Democrat, declared today that "outrages" perpetrated by representatives of the national labor relations board are threatening to wreck the Roosevelt administration.

Taking issue with the President's recent statement that the board has been fair to both capital and labor, Rankin declared the Chief Executive evidently had been misinformed.

Rankin Condemns Communist Tieup

The Mississippian expressed belief that Mr. Roosevelt would "call a halt" if he knew the facts. The facts are, he declared, that outrages have been committed by board agents in conjunction with communistic influences; that small manufacturers now are being subjected to "inquisitions" and that brutal treatment has been meted out to citizens by "this unholy combination" under the pretense that it has administration backing.

Rankin told the House that within the last 36 hours he has received protests against labor board activities from every state in the Union. Board representatives, he said, are promoting strikes in the South.

Vandenberg Denies Charges by Green

If the board's activities are not checked and the wage and hour bill now before the Senate is passed in its present form and upheld by the supreme court, it probably will mean "the end of human liberty as we know it," Rankin contended.

Senator Vandenberg, Michigan Republican, replying to statements of William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, criticizing labor act amendments which he proposed, said:

"I deny that they (the amendments) are a 'bold attempt'—or any other kind of an 'attempt'—to restrict the freedom of self organization of workers' or to 'nullify the provisions of democratic self government of unions,' as charged by you. Furthermore, I respectfully submit that this bitter indictment is in no degree borne out by your own bill of particulars."

Senators Find Tokens Illegal

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, July 30.—The Senate banking committee belatedly discovered today that street car tokens, small checks and millions of state sales tokens had been illegal for nearly 20 years. It hastily recommended legislation to legalize them.

It urged Congress to repeal a 1909 law forbidding the issuance or circulation of a "note, check, memorandum, token or other obligation for a less sum than $1."

Committee members said the law was enacted to keep private tokens and coinage from competing with small United States coins. It has rarely been enforced.

Lily Pons Plans to Retire—in Six Years

(By United Press)

CHICAGO, June 30.—Lily Pons, coloratura soprano, announced today she planned to retire to private life—six years from now.

"I want to live life my own way," Miss Pons said.

Senate Drops Scrap Iron Exports Issue

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, July 30.—The Senate military affairs committee decided today to postpone until next session consideration of proposed legislation to restrict exports of scrap iron and steel.

Retreating Chinese Take Japan's Friend Prisoner

This Associated Press photo, brought to America via the China Clipper, shows Japanese removing wounded from the battle zone near Peiping after meeting unexpected Chinese resistance.

(By United Press)

PEIPING, July 31.—(Saturday)—Chinese militia, in full retreat from the Peiping area, kidnaped Gen. Yin Jo-Keng, governor of the Japanese-controlled northeastern northeastern area of Hopei province, delayed reports said today.

Hated by his fellow Chinese because of his friendliness for the Japanese, the ruler of the puppet state was captured by members of the Tungchow peace preservation corps who stormed the East Hopei capital of Tungchow and reportedly annihilated the Japanese.

The peace preservation troops believed that the forces of Gen. Sung

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SOLONS AGREE ON TAX CHANGE

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, July 30.—A congressional tax committee, in agreement on proposed methods for sealing revenue law loopholes, arranged today to put its recommendations into bill form next week.

Members did not disclose what suggestions they would make to Congress.

They have dropped hints the legislation might increase surtaxes, restrict deductions allowed to personal holding companies, adjust reductions for such incorporated hobbies as yachts and boost the levies on non-resident aliens.

Committeemen indicated the administration desires to have the legislation enacted before adjournment as it may apply to the present calendar year and produce some $150,000,000 to $250,000,000 of additional revenue.

Chairman Doughton, North Carolina Democrat said, however, the committee is more interested in preventing continued loss of revenue through use of tax avoidance devices than in bringing in more money.

Probably the legislation will not embrace all tax dodging methods, he said, because insufficient information has been obtained to cope with some. But the more important ones will be covered, he added.

The committee will assemble again Tuesday. By that time, the chairman asserted, it hopes to have its report to House and Senate ready and a bill drafted for consideration.

BRIBE CHARGE PROBED IN S.F.

(By Associated Press)

SAN FRANCISCO, July 30.—District Attorney Matthew A. Brady ordered the county grand jury convened tonight to consider accusations that George Poultney, a member of the widely publicized McDonough Brothers bail bond firm, sought to bribe a juror in the trial of Dr. C. C. Long and two others on a murder charge growing out of an illegal operation.

Superior Judge Sylvain J. Lazarus, presiding at Long's trial, revealed the sensational development, saying Poultney had approached Juror Harry Truax, and told him he could "make some money out of this case."

Poultney, whose name was brought frequently into the recent police graft inquiry after Investigator Edwin Atherton termed the McDonough firm "a fountain head of corruption," immediately denied the charge.

Poultney said he had known Truax for 30 years; that he saw the juror yesterday and asked him if he was "still on the WPA," and that he had asked Truax about some music allegedly borrowed from the Poultney home six months previously.

Judge Lazarus said Truax rebuked Poultney and reported the incident. The jurist immediately ruled that the Long jury should be locked up nightly hereafter for the duration of the murder trial.

Fish Tossed Out of Sea by Great Wave

(By Associated Press)

LOS ANGELES, July 30.—Today's fish story:

The scene was the beach at near-by Playa Del Rey and the story is simply that fish by the dozen came ashore and practically sat down in the lap of delighted fishermen.

No one knows exactly why, but Dr. Earl Hanson, state marine biologist, said there were fish on the beach and people were tearing around looking for bushel baskets and gunny sacks to hold the harvest.

Witnesses said the first thing anyone knew there was a great splashing of water offshore, with clusters of gulls causing a commotion directly above, and then a big wave washed what must have been an entire school of fish up on the sand.

There were small fish—smelt, sardine and herring, and large fish —bonita, barracuda and yellowtail. The larger ones were scarce, however, but present just the same.

W. L. Scofield, ichthyologist of the state fish and game laboratory, couldn't hazard an explanation because he didn't see it. But he testified that once tons of herring and sardines came ashore at Monterey bay, possibly because a poisonous form of organic life might have developed in the water.

Many theories were advanced on the Playa Del Rey affair, but not by Mr. Scofield. One was that larger fish, or maybe a scallon or two, took in after the little fish and chased them out of the ocean.

Another was suggested that possibly the little fish were just tired of it all and decided to give themselves up.

PEIPING HELD BY INVADERS, CHINESE FLEE

Continued Fighting Reported in Tientsin, However, Despite Claims of Mikado's Men

EXACT STATUS NOT KNOWN

China Reports Main Army Moves To Front but Exact Data On Troops Shielded

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SHANGHAI, July 31.—(Saturday)—China's brief, desperate struggle to maintain control of two provinces in north China appeared hopelessly lost today as superior Japanese forces occupied Peiping and completed "mopping up" operations in the Tientsin area.

Dictator Chiang Kai-Shek was confronted with the necessity of swallowing the North China coup d'etat as he let Japan's conquest of Manchuria or of rallying the nation for prolonged warfare.

Except for minor engagements on the outskirts of Tientsin, hostilities had ceased pending determination of the following questions:

Chiang Kai-Shek To Decide Course

1. Will Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek server relations with Japan within the next 48 hours as the nearest approach to a declaration of war and send the highly-trained central army farther northward to challenge the Japanese "fait accompli" in the shadow of the great wall?

2. Will Nanking, aware of Japanese divergence of opinion regarding the future, "sit tight" and await the outcome of seemingly endless negotiations to determine whether Hopei and Chahar provinces are irrevocably divorced from China and destined for inclusion in Manchukuo?

Observers Think Territory Is Lost

3. Can the territory be re-won to Chinese sovereignty by granting concessions to Japan's demands?

Informed China believed the Nanking government considers the Peiping-Tientsin area lost as definitely as the Hopei area, where Gen. Ying Ju-Keng previously had

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TRAIN WRECKED

SHANGHAI, July 31.—(Saturday) — Five persons were killed and 60 injured in a train wreck between Chung-liangcheng and Tangku, harbor for Tientsin, the Domei (Japanese) news agency said today. Some accidentals were said to be among the victims.

Domei said Chinese troops reportedly tampered with the rails in an effort to prevent arrival of Japanese reinforcements at Tientsin on Thursday, when the accident occurred.

Peace Promised On Waterfronts For Next Year

(By Associated Press)

SAN FRANCISCO, July 30.—Another year of peace on West coast waterfronts appeared in prospect tonight when Harry Bridges, head of union longshoremen on the Pacific coast, announced his organization would ask no revision of its present working agreement.

The Waterfront Employers association earlier in the day had notified the I. L. A. of its willingness to extend present contracts another year beyond next Sept. 30, their expiration date.

Six other maritime unions also have contracts expiring Sept. 30. Under the agreements they will be automatically renewed unless either side serves notice of intention by tomorrow night to seek revisions.

There was no official word concerning the status of agreements affecting the six other maritime unions, but the sailors and firemen were reported meeting to decide the action to take.

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